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OHIO SELECTS ABOUT TO MOVE

Fifty-six Hundred to Be Transferred to Other Camps.

ORDERS REACH CAMP SHERMAN

Call for Noncommissioned Officers and Men of Every Branch of the Service, Some of Whom Are Wanted for Immediate Service Overseas. The New Selects Until Quarantine Is Lifted.

Chillicothe, O., Feb. 20.—Following requisitions received at Camp Sherman, it was announced at division headquarters that 5,600 Ohio and western Pennsylvania selects are to be transferred from Camp Sherman to other cantonments in this country in the near future.

The orders call for noncommissioned officers and men of every branch of service, some of whom are wanted for immediate service overseas, it was stated.

With the division already over 5,000 below its normal strength, officers are looking forward to the arrival of 8,000 more drafted men in the next two weeks to compensate the loss of men who are to be transferred.

New orders for men are received daily and officers look for additional men to be called so long as the division is here. They say that while thousands of men have already been sent from this division, the situation here is not so bad as at other camps. They say the war department chose to deplete all of the divisions to meet immediate needs for specialists and to fill up the ranks of the American expeditionary forces rather than make two or three divisions purely depot organizations and draw on them for all the men.

Regiments here are considerably below war strength, due to such depletion, officers say. Certain men deemed indispensable have been retained, who will be used as the nucleus around whom to build up the units to normal strength again when the new drafted men come.

No new selects will be received here until the quarantine is lifted. While medical officers have given no intimation as to when the ban will be lifted, it is generally believed that the end of the week will see the selects free once more. Feb. 23 was the date originally set for the arrival of the last contingent of 15 per cent. It was stated that the quarantine will not be lifted until such time as medical authorities are satisfied that the contagious disease situation is well in hand.

PROBES SELECTED

Ohio Milk Prices to Be Investigated by a Commission.

Columbus, Feb. 19.—Ohio milk prices will be investigated by a commission of nine members, appointed by State Food Administrator Croxton. The commission will meet here this week to map plans of procedure. It is likely sections of the commission will hold hearings in various cities of the state to acquaint members of local conditions. The commission will not fix prices, but, after investigation, tell producers and distributors in each community what sort of prices it will approve. If prices in excess of these are charged, the persons doing so will place themselves liable to prosecution for making more than "reasonable" profits.

Members of the commission are: Elbert H. Baker, Cleveland; Miss M. Campbell, Cincinnati; T. J. Donnelly, Columbus; C. M. Kieckhefer, Hamilton; James W. Paulkner, Columbus; Samuel Hoskins, Columbus; Irving Macomber, Toledo; Homer C. Price, Newark; W. W. Thornton, Akron.

Flour Mills Closed. Yanktown, S. D., Feb. 20.—Deputy United States Marshal Hickey and a special government agent closed the Mennonite flour mill in Bon Homme county. Ground grain is said to have been found in the mill. The authorities refused to discuss the matter.

MADMAN'S WORK

Slays Wife, Daughter and Sister-in-Law and Kills Self.

Columbus, Feb. 20.—Minutely-laid plans of an insane man resulted in the murder of three persons, fatal wounding of a fourth and the suicide of the slayer, Forest Bigelow, 42, insurance agent. The slain: Mrs. Lena Bigelow, 36, his wife; Annabelle, 33, his daughter; Mrs. Hazel Steele, 33, his sister-in-law; Mrs. Saile Crut, 66, Bigelow's mother-in-law. He is in Protestant hospital, where her death is expected momentarily. The slayer used a hatchet ground to a razor sharpness. Family troubles are said to have prompted the deed. After the slaying, Bigelow shot and killed himself. He left a letter disposing of his property, naming his palbearers and hymns to be sung at his funeral.

Wounded Soldiers From France. New York, Feb. 20.—The first American soldiers wounded on the battlefield of France are convalescing at the Columbus hospital here. There are almost 100 of the soldiers, some of them suffering from a shell shock.

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Have you enlisted in the army of your country and yourself? Buy War Savings Stamps.

JOHN P. BRENNAN

Ex-State Treasurer Appointed State Purchasing Agent.



EDUCATORS TO ASSIST

Great Drive Planned to Save Ohio's 1918 Corn Crop.

Columbus, Feb. 20.—Comprehensive plans for a great drive to save Ohio's 1918 corn crop, which is in danger of loss of the destruction of most of the 1917 seed corn through adverse weather conditions, were launched at a meeting of county school superintendents, held in the senate chamber under a call issued by Governor Cox. Fred C. Croxton, federal food administrator for Ohio, and Frank B. Pearson, state superintendent of public instruction.

Under plans outlined, the county superintendents will make a school seed corn census of the state. They will ascertain the needs for this year's corn planting. Farmers will be told that practically all of the 1917 seed corn is ruined and urged not to use a single grain of this corn unless after a thorough test it has been shown to be sound. The 1918 seed corn is sound and farmers will be urged to use this corn and procure it wherever they can get it.

In taking a census to ascertain the needs of the farmers, the superintendents and teachers will work through the president of the farm bureau or the county agricultural agent.

\$2.50 PER BUSHEL

Senate Agriculture Committee Fixes Price of Wheat.

Washington, Feb. 20.—A favorable report on the Gore bill to increase the minimum price for wheat of the 1918 crop from \$2 to \$2.50 per bushel was made by the senate agriculture committee.

The committee's action was not unanimous and Senator Kenyon of Iowa gave notice in the senate that he would not be bound to support the committee's recommendation.

THE MARKETS

Chicago, Feb. 20.

Cattle—Native beef steers, \$5.50@13.50; hogs, \$5.50@10.00; corn, \$1.25@1.30; wheat, \$1.25@1.30; flour, \$4.00@4.50; sugar, \$10.00@11.00; butter, \$15.00@16.00; eggs, \$1.00@1.25; sheep, \$4.00@5.00; pigs, \$4.00@5.00; chickens, \$1.00@1.25; turkeys, \$1.00@1.25; ducks, \$1.00@1.25; geese, \$1.00@1.25; mutton, \$4.00@5.00; calves, \$4.00@5.00; lambs, \$4.00@5.00; hares, \$4.00@5.00; rabbits, \$4.00@5.00; guinea pigs, \$4.00@5.00; ferrets, \$4.00@5.00; cats, \$4.00@5.00; dogs, \$4.00@5.00; birds, \$4.00@5.00; fish, \$4.00@5.00; shellfish, \$4.00@5.00; game, \$4.00@5.00; vegetables, \$4.00@5.00; fruits, \$4.00@5.00; nuts, \$4.00@5.00; seeds, \$4.00@5.00; herbs, \$4.00@5.00; spices, \$4.00@5.00; condiments, \$4.00@5.00; beverages, \$4.00@5.00; tobacco, \$4.00@5.00; alcohol, \$4.00@5.00; drugs, \$4.00@5.00; chemicals, \$4.00@5.00; minerals, \$4.00@5.00; metals, \$4.00@5.00; stones, \$4.00@5.00; gems, \$4.00@5.00; jewelry, \$4.00@5.00; clothing, \$4.00@5.00; shoes, \$4.00@5.00; hats, \$4.00@5.00; gloves, \$4.00@5.00; socks, \$4.00@5.00; underwear, \$4.00@5.00; outerwear, \$4.00@5.00; accessories, \$4.00@5.00; miscellaneous, \$4.00@5.00.

PRIORITY ORDERS HELD TO BLAME

Ohio County Fuel Administrators Air Coal Shortage.

MEET AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

Ask That No Priority Orders Be Issued For Lake Shipment, Unless Provision Is Made For Ohio's Domestic Needs—Fuelless Mondays, Priority Decrees and Embargoes Called Bungle by Johnson.

Columbus, Feb. 20.—County fuel administrators from throughout the state met here at the call of State Administrator Johnson and served notice on their grand chief in Washington that they don't want Ohio's coal supply completely cut off again, as was the case last summer, when everything was sent to the northwest.

The county administrators adopted a resolution asking that no priority orders be issued for lake shipment, unless provision is made that Ohio's domestic needs be taken care of at the same time as fairly as those of any other state.

Ohio families were advised to lay in next winter's supply of coal at the earliest opportunity. It is safer to do so in the spring than to wait until summer, it was said. Unlike last summer, there is no prospect now of cheaper coal at any time, it was pointed out, and therefore no reason to wait.

Administrator Johnson declared the situation this winter has been due to the breaking down of the transportation system. "Fuelless Mondays, priority orders and embargoes are all pure bungle," declared Johnson emphatically. "They may be the only way out of a situation, but it is a bungled makeshift way. They mean that in order to permit coal to be moved, some industries must shut down. Closing of industries isn't conserving fuel in the last analysis. The only thing to do is to get action on transportation. Lack of transportation has been the cause of all our troubles, and our only relief lies in better transportation."

J. B. Dugan, chief inspector of the public utilities commission, who testified against the fuel administration in the senate probe early in January, placed the original blame for the Ohio coal trouble on the northwest priority orders. The state at that time was drained of its coal, he said, creating a condition from which it never recovered.

Each of the county administrators is to make a survey of his county as to the amount of coal that will be needed for the year beginning April 1. Efforts then will be made to get this amount of coal to each county before next winter.

SMALLPOX IN OHIO

More Prevalent Now Than For Five Years, Says Health Board.

Columbus, Feb. 19.—Smallpox is more prevalent in Ohio now than for five years. Reports being received by the state health department indicate that the total number of cases for January will reach 2,000. In December there were 1,331 cases. The highest number in any previous month in the past five-year period was 900. Only 15 of the 88 counties reported no cases in January. Only nine counties have been without the disease since the present epidemic began in September. Based on population, Henry county, with 202 cases, had the largest number of cases in January. Of these, 158 were at Napoleon, the county seat. Summit county reported 243 cases, with 170 in Akron.

The present situation is blamed by the state department upon mistakes of physicians in diagnosing the disease as chickenpox, in laxity of quarantine measures and lack of vaccination. The importation of negroes from the south is regarded by many as another reason for the prevalence of the disease.

MEN RETURNING TO WORK

Settlement of Shipyard Controversy in Sight.

Washington, Feb. 19.—President Wilson's intervention terminated the eastern shipyard strikes. Reports to the shipping board from union heads in all districts in which carpenters are out say the strikers are returning to work.

William L. Hutcheson, president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, is expected today to take up the matter with government officials. Although Hutcheson has declined to leave to the shipbuilding labor administration a settlement of the carpenters' demands, officials believe that after President Wilson's message he at least will be willing to renew relations with the board.

American Aviator Killed.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Cadet Charles E. Jones of Pittsfield, Mass., attached to the aviation section of the signal corps, has been killed in an airplane accident in France, the war department was advised by General Pershing, who also announced that Corporal William Williams of Greenville, O., died of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis, of Mendon, were among our visitors. Saturday while in town attending to some business matters.

COMMANDER RIXXO

He is Chief of Italy's Brave Aerial Forces.



WEEKLY WAR REVIEW

According to the latest intelligence from the European capitals, Germany has suddenly found herself involved in a maze of difficulties on the eastern front and in danger of losing all the large benefits she was calmly preparing to realize from her peace with the Ukraine and the Bolshevik withdrawal of Russia from the war.

Poland is threatening to constitute herself the rock on which the German hope of peace and gainful expansion in the east may be shattered. Embittered by the tearing off of a strip of their territory to be given to the Ukraine for breaking away from the Bolsheviks and signing a peace with the central powers, the Poles are in what appears to be virtually a state of revolt. Reports in the German newspapers, which express dismay and alarm over the Polish situation, indicate that the Polish army, now an effective military force, is on the side of the prevalent Polish sentiment of bitterness against the central powers. The situation has grown so serious that the military are patrolling the streets of Warsaw. Berlin announced that the armistice with the Bolsheviks has ended and an attack seems imminent.

Local raids and bombardments featured the week on the western front. British, French and German forces participated, prisoners and guns being captured in these operations. On the American sector in Lorraine the Americans repelled effectively German artillery fire in Palestine the British penetrated Turkish positions northeast of Jerusalem to a depth of two miles on a six mile front. Official dispatches received at Washington said the strength of the Teutonic armies on the Italian front is sufficient to permit the central powers to undertake offensive operations simultaneously on the entire western front from the North sea to the Adriatic and prevent the allies from transferring troops from one part of the front to the other.

Berlin officially announced the resumption of operations on the eastern front. The German war office, on Feb. 18, reported that German troops had crossed the Dvina river, Estonia and Livonia, the two remaining Baltic provinces, are being invaded and Riga has been taken. Resumption of hostilities follows the failure of the Bolsheviks to sign a peace treaty with the central powers.

The Bolsheviks reports the capture of Kiev, new capital of Ukraine, after a battle in which 4,000 were killed and 7,000 wounded.

The Russian government announced, on Feb. 20, its readiness to sign a peace treaty with Germany, though protesting against the harsh terms. The official announcement of the capitulation was signed by Nikolai Lenine and Leon Trotsky on behalf of the people's commissaries of Russia.

Notwithstanding this fact, Teutonic forces are advancing eastward into Russia over a front of 400 miles, from Riga in the north to Lutsik. Both Lutsik and Drinsk have been captured. The Germans are encountering no opposition.

TWO KILLED AT CROSSING

Mother and Her Four Children Struck by a Train.

Toledo, Feb. 18.—A mother and her four children were killed and another child and two men were injured when a New York Central passenger train hit an automobile truck in which they were riding near Toledo. The dead are: Mrs. Annie Pichinski, 38, and her children, Katherine, 12; Frances, 6; Victoria, 11; Sophie, 7. The Pichinskis were moving to Toledo from Christy, riding on the truck driven by Clarence Long, who failed to see the train as the truck drove onto the crossing.

Robertson's New Position.

London, Feb. 19.—General Robertson, who resigned Saturday as chief of the British army staff, has accepted command of the eastern division of the home army, Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law announced in the house of commons.

Mr. and Mrs. Melville Kanorr, East Anthony street, have been entertaining a case of mumps. We always thought Perry fat enough without any artificial aid. Then it seems to make one lopsided and out of proportion.

BREWERY SCHEME BEING EXPOSED

[Chillicothe Chronicle.]

The American Issue calls attention to a stunt that is being played by the brewers. A paid agent of their organization has been stationed in Columbus. He is sending out over the state to men who are likely to be selected for members of the Legislature. He has a private interview with each that comes. They are instructed to profess to be dry—oh, yes, of course. They are opposed to the saloon and would like to see the liquor business wiped off the face of the earth. Oh, sure! But—then they are to explain that just at this time it does not seem opportune to meddle with the measure. The war, you know—it might stir up ill feeling. It might do a great amount of damage in alienating the loyalty of working men, etc., etc. Some time they would be willing to vote that way, but—well, not just now. It is a very clever scheme, but it won't fool anybody but wooden-headed office-seekers, and that kind the people do not want to represent them in the state legislature. The thing to do is to require a public and unequivocal statement from every candidate for membership in the general assembly, and refuse to vote for any one who fails to respond satisfactorily.

SMALL-POX IN CELINA ON WAN

The Reison and Quinter families, under quarantine since the first outbreak of the disease in this city more than a month ago, have been liberated by Officer Fry. The home of Barber Frank Gibbons, on West Logan street, is still under the ban. His sister, Miss Maggie, was the first to contract the disease, then Mrs. Gibbons, and then Frank himself. The Gibbons are mild, but still enough to make one swear.

RAID FOR STRAY DOGS BEGINS NEXT MONDAY

Nine unclaimed dogs are now in possession of Harry L. Hight in this city. The dogs were taken up by Mr. Hight during the past week and were all minus of tags.

Officer Hight wishes to notify the public that no affidavit is needed to take up the dogs, and that he will start his tour of the county next week and all dogs found without tags will be taken by him in accordance with the law.

IN CUPID'S DOMAIN

W. J. Fiely, of Cranberry Prairie, and Miss Margaret Hart, of Sharpburg, were happily wedded at the latter place on 12th inst. by Rev. Welsh. Their attendants were Alfred Fiely and Miss Rosa Huelsman. After the nuptial high mass the wedding party went to the home of the bride's parents, where an elaborate wedding feast was served and a number of relatives and friends of the young couple assembled to extend them best wishes for a happy wedded life.

IN REALTY CIRCLES

The real estate of the late Samuel J. Vining, offered for sale in a partition suit a few days ago, was bid in by the deceased's eldest son, Lieutenant Vernon Vining. His purchase included 54 acres of what was known as the old F. C. LeBlond farm, in the southwest part of town, and eight lots in the east end of town, along and adjacent to East Market street. Consideration, \$7,100.

John Gast to L. E. & W. Railway, part of lot 59, Coldwater, \$150.

Adeline Gast to L. E. & W. Railway, part of lot 40, Coldwater, \$150.

David Stein to Otto Fahneke, part of land in Blackerett township, \$560.

Frank Shindeldecker to John Tiles, part of land in Dublin township, \$330.

Willett Skinner to May Mygrants part of land in Blackerett, \$200.

Fred Fisher to Jacob Kassmeier, part of land in Recovery township, \$500.

Leticia D. Fisher to Jacob Kassmeier, part of land in Gibson township, \$340.

Robert Tolan to Walter Copper-smith, part of octet 13, Rockford, \$180.

Wm. Steinbrunner to Martha Jane Snyder, lot 14, McDaniel's addition, Ft. Recovery, \$240.

Howard O. Purdy to Otis Dull, part of land in Elackerett township, \$11,000.

Emma B. Gray to Andrew S. Gray, lot 35 Krenn's addition, Ft. Recovery, \$500.

Rosa Lehman to Henry Mertz, part of land in Hopewell township, \$800.

Geo. Frysinger to Earl Mihue, part of land in Dublin township, \$8195.

Robert Wagers et al to E. Roettger, lot 54, Rockford, \$1.

The public library, which was closed on account of the fuel shortage, was opened Monday.

Red Cross sewing and knitting has been resumed at their headquarters in the City Building, which is open every afternoon except Saturday. Your help would be appreciated.

County Treasurer Baker has been confined to his home the past few days with a case of mumps. We always thought Perry fat enough without any artificial aid. Then it seems to make one lopsided and out of proportion.

Barber Shop to Re-Open

The barber shop of P. W. Bowser, on West Fayette street, recently damaged by fire, which caused its temporary closing, has been refitted and will open for business next Monday.

GOVERNMENT PLANE STOPS AT CHICKASAW

Chickasaw is laying claim to some unusual distinction these days. Wednesday a federal war plane, on its way from Detroit to Dayton, made a temporary landing at the Marion township metropolis, but of not long enough duration to permit the occupants to partake of kindly offered dinner hospitality, when the machine was obliged to continue its flight southward.—New Bremen Sun.

THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Catherine Puthoff, the venerable wife of the late Frank Puthoff, well known to the older people of Celina and vicinity, passed away at her home on East Wayne street last Monday. While in failing health for some time, she had been up about until a couple days of her demise. She was 73 years of age. Her husband died four years ago. A family of nine children survive her. They are: Mrs. Geo. Ineichen, of Geneva, Ind.; Mrs. Jacob Bettinger, of Coldwater; Mrs. Tom Durbin, John Jacob, Benjamin and Henry, of this city, and Andrew and Joseph of Hopewell township.

SOME PORKER AND SOME PRICE

Irvin Hole, of Franklin township, delivered a stag to Mike Konrath that was the heaviest hog shipped from this place for some time. The stag weighed 750 pounds and Mr. Hole received a check for \$106.65 for him. Mr. Hole bought this hog at the first sale of Big Type Poland-China hogs of Geo. Klosterman Sons about three years ago for \$15.00.—Coldwater Chronicle.

CARDINAL FARLEY LAUDS WAR WORK

[From The Columbian, Catholic.] At a meeting held in New York for the purpose of increasing the Knights of Columbus war fund, his eminence, Cardinal Farley, delivered an address in which he expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the part which Catholics are taking in upholding the rights of the nation, and praised President Wilson for his wisdom in protecting the morals of the soldiers by enforcing the five-mile limit on saloons and other undesirable places in the neighborhoods of the encampments. The Cardinal said in part:

"I am prouder of the Government for this measure than for anything else that I can mention since the beginning of this war. While President Wilson and Secretary Baker are using every effort to safeguard the morals of the soldiers of this country, in Europe such precautions are not taken and are not even thought of."

"I thank God that in this war we, as Catholics, true to our traditions, shall bear a noble part. The Secretary of War, according to my information, has said that the Catholics of the United States have contributed 35 per cent to the personnel of the army. I have been credibly informed that 40 per cent of the men in the navy are our co-religionists."

THE COMMISSIONERS

The following bills were allowed last Friday and are now payable:

Emerson Price Co., typewriter shock absorber, 1 50
Perry Baker, fees for February settlement, 2769 31
Dillon Smalley, expense account for January, 3 50
Mercer County Observer, Messie ditch sale, 1 14
J. J. Lewis, bridge lumber, 125 46
R. B. Morrison, expense account for January, 7 00
E. G. Engerer, fees for February settlement, 3078 21
Wm. A. Siebert, inquest over Anna McLannan, 5 35

THE PROBATE COURT

Cynthia A. Newcomb and J. F. Newcomb, executors of the will of Joseph B. Newcomb, deceased, filed account of final distribution.

Sebastian Ranley, administrator of the estate of Robert D. Dillworth, Christianman filed statements in lieu of account.

Jarusha McQueen, appointed as guardian of Estella D. Kelley.

Anna Franzer, administratrix of the estate of Wm. Staughter, returned and filed order of private sale of real estate. Sale confirmed and deed ordered.

G. W. Robinson appointed administrator with the will annexed of Amanda Ore, deceased. Inventory and appraisement February 25.

Fannie Baker, executrix of the will of Wm. Hainline, deceased filed account of final distribution.

F. S. Jones, administrator of the estate of Catherine Jones, deceased, filed inventory and appraisement.

Samuel Clutter, 22, Dublin township, farmer, son of Hiram Clutter, and Lela McClintock, 20, Union township, housekeeper, daughter of Al McClintock, issued marriage license. Marriage ceremony performed by the Rev. W. B. Streets.

CHURCH OF GOD

CELINA—Sunday school at 9 a. m. W. R. Thomas, Sup't. Preaching service at 10:30 a. m.

NEPTUNE—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. W. R. Thomas, Sup't. Preaching service in the evening. Evangelistic services each evening through the week. Come and enjoy these services. Spiritual and edifying.

FIRE CHIEF JACOB WEBER DEPOSED

At a meeting of the fire department committee of the village council this week, Fire Chief Jacob Weber was asked to step down and out. He was charged with being dillet in the performance of his duties, which grew out of the handling of the fire at the Cincinnatian warehouse opposite the Cincinnati Northern railroad station in January, with the thermometer dancing around zero. Old John Barleycorn on empty stomach is said to have uninitiated the old veteran for his work.

Jacob has been one of the town's best and most daring fire fighters, and it is regretted that council felt called upon to dispense with his services. It is understood Mr. Weber will return to Detroit, where he was employed when he accepted the job as chief.

A successor has not yet been named.

PETER TOO FAMILIAR WITH BROTHER'S FODDER

Adam Alt, of Liberty township, was arrested last Saturday by Marshal Duncan of this city, charged with appropriating without leave fourteen shocks of corn fodder valued at \$21, alleged to be the personal property of his brother, Peter Alt. At a hearing before Mayor Scranton, Wednesday, Adam was bound over to the Common Pleas Court grand jury in the sum of \$200. Bond was given.

CHICKS AND EGGS OR SKUNK, WHICH?

Dear Editor Democrat: While I was reading The Democrat of last week I came to a heading that made my blood boil. It read like this, "Hunters Are Warned," and it goes on to say the season for capturing fur-bearing animals has closed and the game warden warns hunters and trappers that a violation of the law will not hold water in the middle of December and it has been zero weather ever since. From that time up until now I have only seen one skunk truck, and he made for my neighbor's barn, only waiting for his hens to lay so it could suck the eggs. Now these devils have all been kept over for next summer to suck the farmer's eggs and kill his little chickens, and sometimes a big one also. I wish to inform Mr. Game Warden, whoever he is, he must come and take care of his skunk if he wants them to live. If one of these sinkers makes himself familiar any time around my premises, and my neighbors take the same view, they are dead skunk, for we will kill them. We want eggs and chicks—no skunk. If I lived along a ditch the muskrats would get the same treatment, in season, some of us take. They would not fill up a ditch of mine. I don't believe in protecting anything that will do the farmer harm, and the skunk and muskrat both harm him. We have plenty of proof that they do. So, Game Warden, let me say to you, if you want these pets, please take the care of them or we will kill them as occasion requires. I believe in good laws and want to obey them, first, last and all the time. But such threat is hot air. It will not stand Supreme Court.

Yours truly, LEWIS H. SUHR.

COURT MATTERS

George Menchoff through his attorney, W. E. Touville, last Monday, filed suit in Common Pleas Court, against C. W. Kanorr. Plaintiff claims the amount of \$598.98, with interest from the 7th of January, due him on a promissory note dated Sept. 6, 1908.

George Menchoff vs. C. W. Kanorr and Sarah Kanorr is a case filed in Common Pleas Court last Monday in which plaintiff asks the amount of \$1496.89 on three promissory notes. Foreclosure of mortgage asked for.

Geo. Menchoff filed another suit against C. W. and Sarah Kanorr on Monday asking judgment in the sum of \$3,779.30 on a promissory note. Foreclosure of mortgage asked.

The Citizens Banking Co., through their attorney, J. D. Johnson filed suit last Monday against W. H. Hussey, Alice Pansbaker and E. J. Brookhart. Plaintiff claims the amount of \$126.75 due on a promissory note with interest from October 1917 from W. H. Hussey and Alice Pansbaker, and \$59.75 from E. J. Brookhart as surety and guarantor.

Ray H. Tester was granted a divorce from his wife, Francis Tester, in Common Pleas Court last Monday.

George H. Morrison and Bertha A. Morrison, his wife vs. Sarah Morrison, Albert Morrison, Lilly Morrison, Bertha Miller and Jacob Miller her husband